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1. A Rumanian-Hungarian Commission met at Irod, early in Jan 1954. With them was a group of Soviet officers, who brought with them, from the USSR, a German engineer, a prisoner of war, who has invented a new mine. This can be buried deeper than older types. Nevertheless, it explodes under a minimum of 25 kilograms.
2. The commission studied the problems presented by passage of the Rumanian-Hungarian frontier. It also proceeded to a minute inspection of the mined territory. The German engineer believed that the old mines ought to be replaced, and the commission decided to do so, at the earliest possible date.
3. Meantime, further measures for the surveillance of frontier zones have been taken. Patrols are reported still further reenforced. Inhabitants of frontier zones who shelter any one without special permit are liable to a fine of 500 lei. This fine is assessed in the new lei and amounts to about \$45 in US currency. In addition, they are also liable to a prison sentence of one to six months.

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